



Amend the paragraph bridging pages 18 and 19 of the specification as follows:

Anoscope 20 may be provided as part of a surgical instrument assembly than also includes a hemorrhoid treatment device 48 depicted in Fig. 2. Device 48 comprises an instrument shaft 50, a handle or actuator 52 connected to the shaft at a proximal end thereof, and a pair of jaws 54 and 56 (proximal and distal) mounted to the shaft at a distal end thereof. Handle 52 is operatively connected to jaws 54 and 56 for alternatively opening and closing the jaws. Jaws 54 and 56 each takes the form of a C- or U-shaped clamping member movable alternately away from and towards the other jaw. Jaws 54 and 56 are insertable into anoscope 20 so that distal jaw 56 is located on a far or distal side of hemorrhoidal tissues protruding through window 36 into the anoscope, between the protruding hemorrhoidal tissues and an inner or distal end of the anoscope, and so that jaw 54 is located on a near or proximal side of the protruding hemorrhoidal tissues, between the protruding hemorrhoidal tissues and an outer or proximal end of anoscope 20. Jaws 54 and 56 are mounted for linear translation alternately towards and away from one another. Jaws 54 and 56 define a C- or U-shaped occlusion area.